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## NATIONAL EGG REVIEW



At the beginning of the week prices in most areas were higher on larger sizes and unchanged on mediums. As the week progressed prices were higher on all sizes. The market tone was firm. Demand was moderate to very good. Supplies were in close balance to tight and held with confidence. Breaking stock with checks and undergrades prices were higher. Offerings were limited to unavailable as demand continued strong. Many breaking operations were shortening schedules and working to fill contractual agreements through regularly committed or company owned production. Floor stocks short to in close balance. Trade sentiment was firm. Prices of light type fowl was unchanged compared to last week. Demand was good for the adequate to at times tight offerings. Processing schedules full-time to instances reduced. Removal prices were steady at 3 to 12.5 cents per head.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were 3 cents higher for large and medium. Other reported prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was firm. Retail demand was moderate to very good, usually good to very good. Food service movement was moderate. Supplies were very tight to in balance and were being held with extreme confidence. Central states breaking stock mostly prices were higher. Offerings were limited to unavailable as demand continued strong. Schedules were full-time to part-time. Floor stocks short to in close balance. Trade sentiment firm.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	99-108	102-105
LARGE	98-106	99-104
MEDIUM	84-92	87-89

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV, Western NY, and Western PA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged, however all sizes were trending sharply higher. The market tone was very firm. Retail and distributive demand was moderate to good, best where featured. Supplies were balanced to tight and held with confidence. Breaking stock offerings were short to fully adequate for the moderate to good demand. Light type fowl were usually about sufficient for processing requirements.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	103-117	106-110
LARGE	99-114	104-108
MEDIUM	84-99	89-91

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

## SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL

Nov 07, 2003

Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	101.00	99.00	90.00
SOUTHEAST	103.50	101.50	90.00
MIDWEST	96.50	94.50	88.00
SOUTH CENTRAL	101.50	99.50	89.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	100.63	98.63	89.37

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	11-12-03	11-04-03	11-12-02
Large	84-88	74-78	53-56
Medium	67-71	67-71	45-49

## WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-NOV 03, 2003

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

			No Cent	So Cent	So Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	8.0	16.5	8.6	10.0	10.8	53.9
	Change	-1.4	-0.3	-0.2	-3.6	-0.7	-10%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	28.2	46.9	14.5	20.3	37.1	147.0
	Change	-1.4	-10.6	0.6	-7.6	-3.7	-13%
Large	Curr Wk	56.9	101.8	80.7	104.3	120.5	464.2
	Change	2.5	-15.3	-14.5	-16.5	-2.7	-9%
Medium	Curr Wk	14.4	53.2	14.9	24.8	30.2	137.5
	Change	0.7	5.0	-7.5	1.7	1.1	1%
Small	Curr Wk	4.0	7.4	1.2	5.8	3.8	22.2
	Change	-0.5	1.6	-1.2	1.4	-1.4	-1%
Misc	Curr Wk	5.2	22.9	7.5	12.5	5.8	53.9
	Change	1.2	2.1	1.1	-4.8	-0.4	-2%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	22.9	25.7	17.6	31.4	34.7	132.3
	Change	7.6	-2.8	4.2	7.8	-5.0	10%
Total	Curr Wk	139.6	274.4	145.0	209.1	242.9	1011.0
Percent	Change	7%	-7%	-11%	-9%	-5%	-6%

**TOTAL** Number of Cases Percent Change Number of Cooperators

Shell Egg	1011.0	-6%	171
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	247.0	6%	36
Total Shell Egg	1258.0	-4%	207

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 171 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

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**Processed Eggs: Weekly Eggs Processed Under Federal Inspection****WEEK ENDING 08-NOV-03**

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)			
	CASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED
	BROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,184,793	30,515	10,000	5,465	1,590	4,226
PW	1,179,440	30,308	9,917	5,386	1,974	4,068
LY	1,158,435	28,045	10,206	5,641	1,934	4,105
% CHG PWK	0	1	1	1	-19	4
% CHG LY	2	9	-2	-3	-18	3
2003	52,606,317	1,287,334	477,281	259,741	105,521	188,428
2002	54,378,025	1,267,537	522,030	280,811	127,617	192,914
% CHG YTD	-3	2	-9	-8	-17	-2

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	42.38	42.12	41.43
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	38.81	38.67	37.89

**BROILER HATCHERY**

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	Nov 1	Nov 08	Nov 01	NOV 08
	Thousand			
AL	26,638	28,116	20,866	19,712
AR	27,849	28,876	23,060	23,263
DE	3,690	3,906	4,616	4,836
FL	1,353	1,351	1,518	1,525
GA	30,277	31,514	*25,322	23,937
KY	*6,091	6,219	*5,960	4,797
LA	3,847	3,861	3,620	3,785
MD	8,840	8,891	5,418	4,490
MS	16,229	17,295	14,983	14,254
NC	17,681	17,348	13,155	13,270
OK	6,090	5,890	3,924	5,143
PA	*3,422	3,588	*2,485	2,364
SC	4,097	4,104	4,196	3,262
TX	*14,380	14,788	*11,863	10,646
VA	6,205	6,116	5,130	5,168
CA, MO, TN, & WV	16,033	17,472	*14,108	12,855
<b>19 State Total</b>	<b>*192,529</b>	<b>199,335</b>	<b>*160,224</b>	<b>153,307</b>
Previous Year Total	189,835	197,676	155,287	151,790
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	101	103	101

\* Revised

**Broiler/Fryer: Weekly Fryers Available for Marketing** Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for the marketing during the week ending 20-Dec-03 is estimated at 144.2 million head. This compares to 146.6 million head the previous week and to 144.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 154.7 million head and the composite weighted average pr 53.89 cents per pound.

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 10/06/03-11/12/03**CURRENT LDS** 63.25 **FUTURE LDS** 69.50 **TOTAL LDS** 132.75

CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W XL	—	—	100.25	101.25	—	—	2.00
GNR W 1	88.00	100.17	94.83	95.67	—	—	19.00
GNR W 2	—	—	87.00	87.50	80.00	87.33	7.00
GNR W 3	—	—	68.00	70.00	—	—	2.00
GL W XL	—	104.33	101.25	104.14	101.50	101.50	39.75
GL W LG	—	105.20	—	—	100.10	97.00	29.50
GL W MD	78.00	—	82.67	86.00	82.88	84.67	11.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	88.00	85.50	86.08	35.00
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	79.67	8.50
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	62.00	70.75	3.00
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	62.00	65.13	2.00

**SHELL EGGS: Weekly Movement of Eggs into Retail Channels**

Week ending 08-Nov-2003

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS	PCT CHG	
			PW	LY
ATLANTA	29.9	26.1	15	21
BOSTON	3.8	3.6	6	9
CHICAGO	50.9	47.3	8	-6
DETROIT	31.1	27.1	15	4
KANSAS CITY	6.3	3.7	70	75
LOS ANGELES	91.7	86.7	6	10
NEW ORLEANS	8.8	7.6	16	-40
NEW YORK	28.3	29.8	-5	-25
ST. LOUIS	21.4	20.4	5	28
SAN FRANCISCO	19.1	22.2	-14	-17
TOTAL	291.3	274.5	6	0
4 WK MVG AVG	279.4			

**MISC. POULTRY: LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED** W/E 08-Nov-2003

	YOUNG HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	2,520	3,280	99	10	5,909
AVG WT	16.18	35.83	24.13	28.00	27.29
LAST WEEK	2,391	3,124	55	2	5,572
SAME WK YR AGO	2,585	3,268	87	30	5,970
AVG WT	16.17	34.60	24.04	32.75	26.45
TO-DATE/2003	85,038	123,702	2,860	575	212,175
TO-DATE/2002	83,751	124,291	2,455	466	210,963

**TURKEY: Weekly Turkeys Slaughtered in Federally Inspected Plants**

Week ending 08-Nov-2003

(Preliminary) (Released 1:00 Eastern Time)

—YOUNG TURKEYS—			OLD		TOTAL TURKEYS	
THOUSAND	PCT CHG	AVG	BANDED	HEAD-	AVG	
HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	THOUSAND	HEAD-	LIVE WT	
N EAST	1,175	9	21.74	(A)	1,177	21.74
SATL	936	16	28.03	(A)	938	28.03
N CENT	2,430	4	33.00	(A)	2,432	33.00
S CENT	641	17	20.00	(A)	643	20.00
WEST	717	-11	22.19	(A)	719	22.19
U.S. TOTAL	5,899(B)	6	27.24	10	5,909	27.29
TO-DATE						
2003	211,600(B)				575	212,175
TO-DATE						
2002	210,497(B)				466	210,963

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 99,000 for the year 2,860,000; last year to date 2,455,000.

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION** W/E 8-Nov-2003  
(PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	158,112	1,258	1,473	2,731	438
AVG WT	5.04	3.48	8.00	5.92	6.71
LAST WEEK	157,750	1,093	1,314	2,407	434
SAME WK YR AGO	155,647	1,438	1,548	2,986	369
AVG WT	5.13	3.51	7.89	5.78	6.64
TO-DATE/2003	6,929,692	64,968	63,093	128,061	18,638
TO-DATE/2002	6,999,610	78,796	63,839	142,635	18,864

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 154.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 160 million head or 5.5 million head more than or 104% of estimated fryers available.

**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER**

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 15-Nov-03

CLASS	Current Week 11/15/03(1)	Previous Week 11/08/03
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
BRO-FRY	159,199(2)	159,760
LT HENS	1,223	1,272
HVY HENS	1,470	1,197
TOTAL	161,892	162,229

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 15-Nov-03 is 151.7 million head compared to 156.0 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 159.5 million head or 7.8 million more than estimated available. For week of 22-Nov-03 the estimated available is 149.1 million head.

**ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO  
ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
OCTOBER 4	160.2	158.9	101%	4.99
11	158.0	158.6	100%	5.14
18	159.0	158.1	101%	5.26
25	161.0	158.3	102%	5.25
NOVEMBER 1	159.7	157.2	102%	5.36
8	160.0	154.5	104%	5.04
YEAR TO DATE	6853.9	6914.5	99%	
NOVEMBER 15		151.7		
22		149.1		

**READY-TO-COOK POULTRY BROILER/FRYERS**

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers f.o.b. and Delivered to First Receivers at major market areas week of 11/10/03-11/14/03 (cents per lb.)

	U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG
Chicago	53.00-56.00	56.81	35	59.34
Los Angeles	73.00	70.45	75	70.19
New York	58.00-61.00	59.83	23	59.99

**COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS**

	Change from		
10-Nov-03	3-Nov-03	3-Nov-03	11-Nov-02
63.54	-0.23	63.77	53.01
NUMBER OF LOADS	621		

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS,** FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
<b>CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/</b>				
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>				

EASTERN REGION 3/	67-73	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	66-71	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	67-71	-	-	-

**16-24 LB TOMS**

EASTERN REGION	63-67	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	63-65	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	64-66	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F.

2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting.

4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting.

5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -** (INCL GOVT STOCKS)

SELECTED STGE CENTERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 11/10/03	3,513	181,365	45,208
AM 11/01/03	3,598	182,037	44,797
CHG	-85	-672	411
PCT CHG	-2%	0%	1%

**HEN MARKETS**

**HEAVY TYPE** Final Price, Generally for slaughter the week of 10-Nov-03

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
Southeast (1)	6-9 CENTS/LB.	8-9	8.51
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	6.25-11.5 CENTS/LB.	8.5-9	8.76

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

**LIGHT TYPE** 07-Nov-03 Cents per Head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds)

RANGE MAJORITY

**Eastern**

Removal Cost 0-12 9-11

**So. Central**

Removal Cost Too Few To Report

**No. Central**

Removal Cost 3-12.5 10-12.25

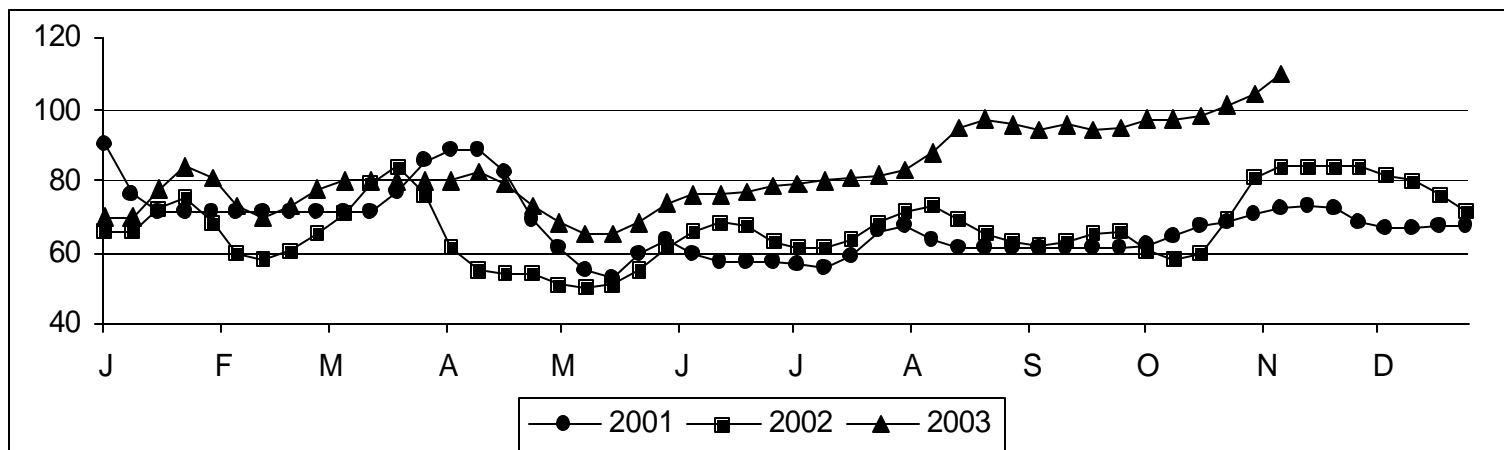
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W/E 08-Nov-03

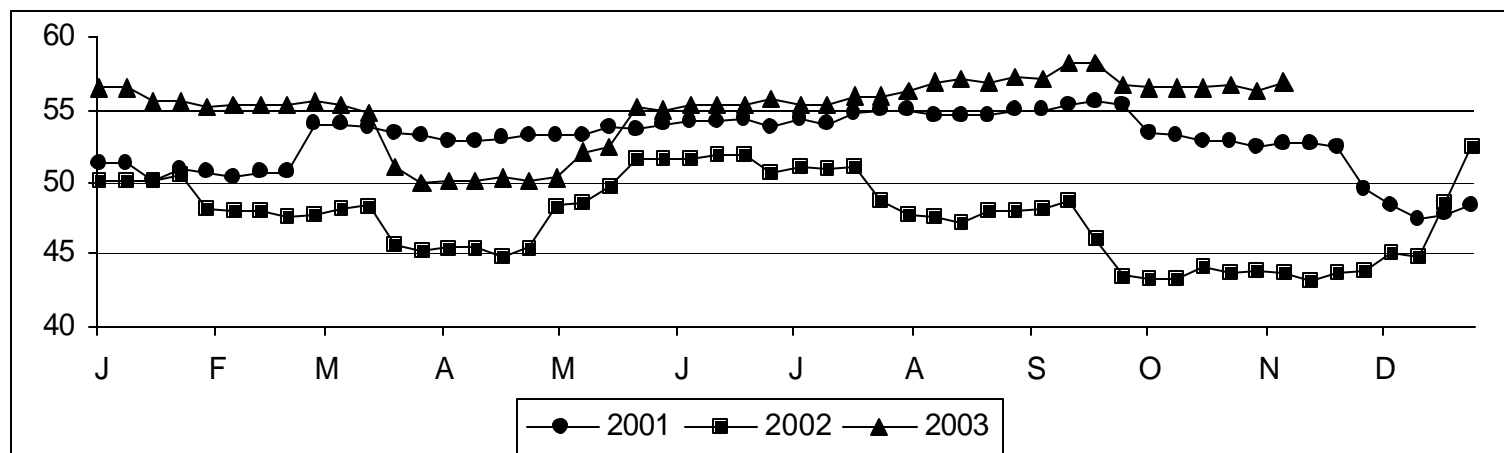
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REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	226.3	4	-6
E.N. CENTRAL	565.5	2	0
W.N. CENTRAL	299.3	5	5
S. ATLANTIC	189.6	3	10
S. CENTRAL	114.6	1	22
WEST	184.0	-5	-2
TOTAL	1579.3	2	2
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		86	86

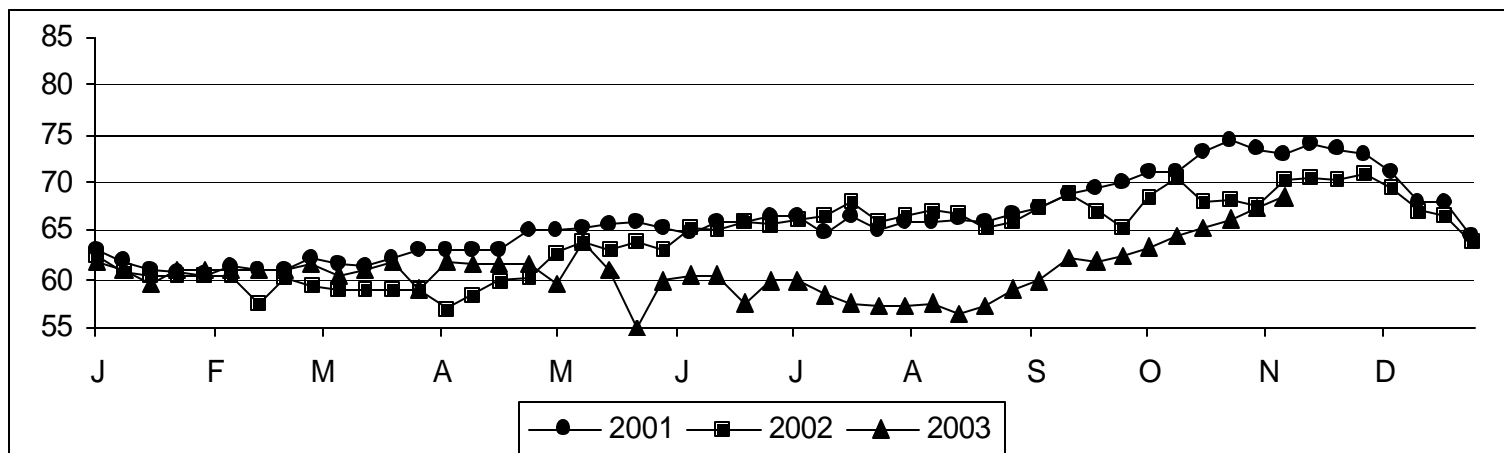
### New York Large Weekly Average Price Cents per Dozen



### Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices Cents per Pound



### Eastern Region Weekly Average Prices For 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys Cents per Pound



Note: Some Weeks' Average Prices are Based on Offers Only

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